GSFC Supply Chain Conference 2012



former GOES-R Flight Project Manager

OSIRIS-REX Michael Donnelly OSIRIS-REx Project Manager

- Oct 2010 Project Manager of GOES-R Flight Project
 - Directed mission National asset
 - 4 geostationary weather satellites
 - − ~ \$6B budget
 - 6 prime contracts (instruments & spacecraft)

Spacecraft LMSSC

ABI ITT / Exelis

SUVI LMSSC

• GLM LMSSC

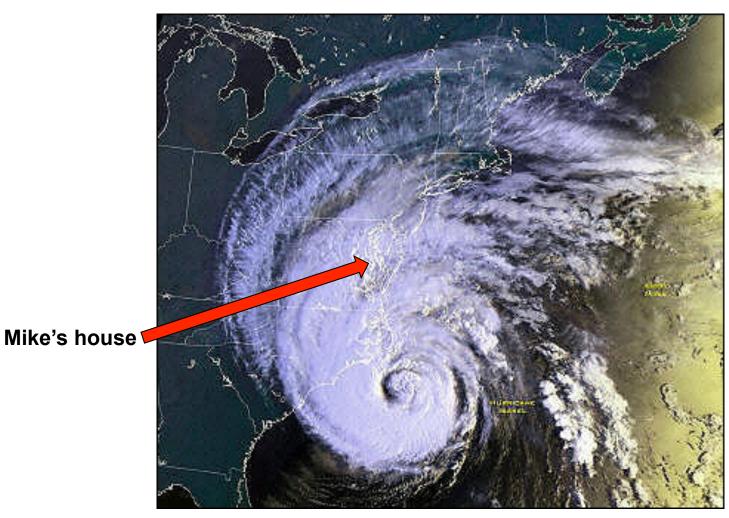
• SEISS ATC

• EXIS LASP (Univ of CO)

- 65+ subcontractors (and counting...)
- 90+ staff on the Flight Project
 - ~ 25+ MA staff (including PMP)

- This is what I said then...
 - The GOES-R MA staff, led by Roman Kilgore, has been charged with "...getting into our contractors knickers..."
 - They are to be friendly and cordial and professional, but not your friends...
 - We expect everyone to become confident in your ability to deliver, but not comfortable...
 - Why?
 - Friends are willing to overlook our faults
 - Comfortableness leads to sloppiness, laziness, screw-ups, failures
 - · Really big numbers...
 - 20 yr life times, \$7.6B total life cycle budget, 65+ contractors

this may have had something to do with it too...



Hurricane Isabel – September 2003

- Oct 2012 Project Manager of OSIRIS-REx Project
 - PI-managed, cost-capped, in Phase B, with LRD in Sept 2016
 - Asteroid sample return flight system
 - Insts, S/C, EELV, Grnd Sys, prox-ops, return capsule, science, curation
 - − ~ \$1B budget
 - 5 prime contracts (instruments & spacecraft) + 1

Spacecraft LMSSC

OCAMS Univ. of AZ

OTES AZ State Univ.

OVIRS GSFC

REXIS MIT (student instrument)

OLA CSA / MDA (contributed instrument)

- 23+ subcontractors (with another 16+ upon entering Phase C)
- ~45 staff on the Project
 - ~ 9+ MA staff (including PMP)

- So... what now...?
 - We still need to have assurance that our requirements will be met,
 but we don't have the luxury of time or money
 - Cost-capped mission in Phase B with less than 4 yrs to go
 - We need to be more collaborative and less heavy-handed
 - Don't have the staff to make sure we're everywhere enforcing our requirements
 - We need everyone to be more proactive
 - Can't wait for a manufacturing readiness review to find out that contractor-X doesn't have acceptable processes

- So... what have I learned?
 - We need teammates
 - That requires openness and collaboration

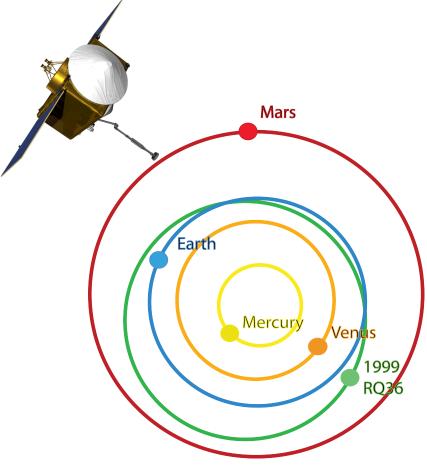
All sides need to understand the requirements of the others and why those requirements are important, where there's common ground, and where each can give a little

- We need trust
 - That requires honesty and fairness

All products, processes, requirements, documents, etc... need to be evaluated based upon their merit and whether they contribute to mission success

OSIRIS-REx will not be successful if we have to rely upon the traditional customer / supplier relationship – there isn't time for that dance

OSIRIS-REx Mission



- · Launch in September 2016
- Rendezvous with asteroid 1999 RQ36 in October 2018
- In July 2019, obtain at least 60g of pristine regolith, using 'touch and go sample acquisition mechanism' (TAGSAM)
- Leave the asteroid in June 2021
- Return to Earth in September 2023
- Deliver samples to JSC curation

- Asteroid 1999 RQ36
- Near-Earth asteroid, about 500 m (½ mile) diameter
- 4.5-hour rotation period
- 436.6-day orbit of Sun at 27.8 kilometers/second (62,120 mph)
- Rocky fragments with fractures and pores, ancient carbon
- Potentially hazardous, has a probability 1 in 1800 of colliding with Earth in the 22nd century (2182)

